

Happy New Year! Welcome back to Maney Hill for the spring term - we have lots to look forward to! Here is an overview of the exciting learning we have in store for this term.

## <u>Maths</u>

In Maths, we will be revisiting Place Value, and the four operations, focussing on securing key skills learnt in the Autumn term. We will also be looking at measurements: time, money and mass. Later on in the term, we will be working on shape, specifically properties of 3D shapes. Finally, we will learn about how to draw and begin to interpret data in our statistics topic, and securing our understanding of fractions.





## <u>Science</u>

In Science, we will be learning all about light. We will learn about how light is reflected from a surface, and investigate how shadows are formed. We will then move on to our Topic 'Opposites Attract'. Here we will observe forces that magnets produce, learn about the force of friction and how it affects objects. Finally, we will look into the interesting work of Soren Sorensen.

## <u>English</u>

This term we will be reading 'The Iron Man' and some short stories from 'Dragons at Crumbling Castle'. We will look to develop our grammar, punctuation, spelling, handwriting and the layout of our writing, applying these skills when writing in different styles, including descriptive writing, newspaper reports, recounts and story writing.



<u>Topic</u>

Our topic for this term is 'Whatever the Weather'. We will learn about the different climate zones of the world, explore the causes and effects of storms and flooding and understand how the water cycle works. In Art, we will research the Japanese artist Katsushika Hokusai and look to create our own version of his famous painting, 'The Great Wave'.



<u>P.E.</u>

P.E. will take usually place on **Monday** and **Tuesday** for 3P and on **Wednesday** and **Thursday** for 3H. This term we will develop skills in gymnastics, football and swimming. Information about swimming will be shared on Class Dojo – please keep an eye out ©

## Homework, Spellings and Reading

Homework will continue to be set on a **Friday** to be returned no later than the following **Wednesday**. Spellings will continue to be set on a **Friday** with the test completed on EdShed by the following Wednesday.

Children will have the opportunity to change levelled reading books twice weekly and will regularly visit the library where they can borrow an additional book of their choice. It is important that your child reads aloud and is questioned about what they have read as often as possible, in order to improve their fluency, understanding and confidence when reading.

We thank you for all of your continued support as we enter an exciting new term at Maney Hill. If you have any concerns or queries throughout the term, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

Kind Regards,

Miss. Peddie and Mr. Hughes